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Subject: Technical Review of Responses to U.S. EPA Comments on Draft
"Miscellaneous Small Structures Implementation Plan for Above-
Grade Decontamination and Dismantlement"

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced response document as part of its oversight activities for Operable Unit 3 at the Fernald Environmental Management Project. The document, which is dated August 13, 1998, was received by U.S. EPA on August 18, 1998, and was prepared by Flour Daniel Fernald for the U.S. Department of Energy (U.S. DOE). The document provides U.S. DOE's responses to U.S. EPA comments on the draft "Miscellaneous Small Structures Implementation Plan for Above-Grade Decontamination and Dismantlement." In addition, U.S. EPA reviewed implementation plan revisions that incorporate U.S. DOE's responses.

U.S. EPA's review focused on assessing whether U.S. DOE's responses adequately address U.S. EPA's comments, and whether those responses have been incorporated into the implementation plan revisions. U.S. EPA found both U.S. DOE's responses and the implementation plan revisions to be satisfactory and therefore approves the implementation plan. Please contact me at (312) 886-4591 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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